

Complete set of claims showing deletions and additions in amended claims.

Deletions are enclosed in brackets with a strikeout line through the respective deletions while insertions are shown underlined, the language remaining from the original specification and/or previous amendments shown in regular type. Claim version identifier markings are enclosed in parentheses.

1. (currently amended) ~~In (An)~~ an anti-personnel device for use in war gaming exercises which comprises at least one launching mechanism for launching at least one projectile outwardly from said anti-personnel device, said launching mechanism comprising at least two movable members biased in opposing directions, said launching mechanism affixed to a mounting base of an enclosure, at least one of said movable members having a latching mechanism associated therewith for holding said movable members in a closed, armed position, said latching mechanism comprising a latch plate overlying said at least one movable member, said latch plate affixed to a cover of said enclosure and having a terminal end thereof captured by a latch hook, said movable members having a material affixed to ends thereof, said material comprising a loop depending from said ends of said movable members, the improvement wherein said loop of material captures a plurality of said projectiles ~~[at least one projectile]~~ in said loop when said movable members are in a closed, armed position, said projectiles selected from the group comprising paintballs, hollow thermoplastic balls, metal BB's, elastomeric BB's, soap pellets, rubber pellets, Buckshot or other simulated munitions, or combinations thereof.

2. (Original) An anti-personnel device as in claim 1 wherein said movable members of said launching mechanism are resettable to said closed, armed position thus rendering said anti-personnel device re-useable.

~~{3. (previously canceled)}~~

4. (previously amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 2 wherein said latching mechanism has a releasing mechanism associated therewith, said releasing mechanism moving said latch hook from engagement with said latch plate.

5. (Original) An anti-personnel device as in claim 4 wherein said releasing mechanism has a trip wire affixed to a lever end thereof for moving said latch hook from

engagement with said latch plate when said trip wire is moved a predetermined distance.

6. (currently amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 4 wherein said releasing mechanism has an electrical wire affixed to a lever end thereof for moving said latch hook from engagement with said latch plate when said electrical wire is energized from a remote source, wherein said electrical wire is a Nickel/Titanium alloy which shrinks upon application of electrical current thus releasing said latch hook from engagement with said latch plate.

~~7. (canceled) An anti-personnel device as in claim 6 wherein said electrical wire is a Nickel/Titanium alloy which shrinks upon application of electrical current.~~

~~[8. (previously canceled)~~

~~[9. (previously canceled)~~

~~[10. (previously canceled)~~

~~[11. (canceled) An anti-personnel device as in claim 1 wherein said at least one projectile is selected from the group comprising paintballs, hollow thermoplastic balls, metal BB's, elastomeric BB's, soap pellets, rubber pellets, Buckshot or other simulated munitions.]~~

12. (Original) An anti-personnel device as in claim 1 wherein said material is removably affixed to said ends of said movable members whereby said material may be replaced when worn.

13. (currently amended) In ~~(An)~~ an anti-personnel device for use in war gaming exercises which comprises at least one launching mechanism for launching at least one projectile outwardly from said anti-personnel device, said launching mechanism comprising a movable member biased in a direction away from a fixed member, said launching mechanism affixed to a mounting base of an enclosure, said members having a material affixed to ends thereof, said material comprising a loop depending from said ends of said members wherein said material captures ~~(said at least one projectile)~~ a plurality of said projectiles in said loop when said members are in a closed position, at least one of said members having a latching system associated therewith for holding said movable member in said closed, armed position said latching system comprising a latch plate overlying said

movable member, said latch plate affixed to a cover of said enclosure and having a terminal end thereof captured by a latch hook the improvement wherein said projectiles are loaded into said loop of material through a pour spout formed through a wall of said mounting base.

14. (Original) An anti-personnel device as in claim 13 wherein said movable member of said launching mechanism is resettable against said fixed member to said closed, armed position thus rendering said anti-personnel device re-useable.

15. (currently amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 13 wherein said ~~(at least one projectile is)~~ projectiles are selected from the group comprising paintballs, hollow thermoplastic balls, metal BB's, thermoplastic BB's, or combinations thereof.

16. (currently amended) ~~In (An)~~ an anti-personnel device for use in war gaming exercises which comprises an array of launching mechanisms, said launching mechanisms having means for launching multiple projectiles outwardly from said anti-personnel device in a random pattern, each said launching mechanism of said array comprising at least two movable members biased in opposing directions, said launching mechanism affixed to a mounting base of an enclosure, at least one of said movable members having a latching mechanism associated therewith for holding said movable members in a closed, armed position, said latching mechanism comprising a latch plate overlying said at least one movable member, said members having a material affixed to ~~{the}~~ ends thereof, said material comprising a loop depending from said ends of said members, the improvement wherein ~~[said material captures said projectiles in said loop when said members are in a closed position, at least one of said members having a latching mechanism associated therewith for holding said members in said closed position]~~ said loop of material captures a plurality of said projectiles in said loop when said movable members are in a closed, armed position, said projectiles selected from the group comprising paintballs, hollow thermoplastic balls, metal BB's, thermoplastic BB's, or combinations thereof.

17. (previously amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 16 wherein said array has a common trip wire associated with said latching mechanism of each of said launching mechanisms for releasing said latching mechanism when said trip wire is moved a

predetermined distance.

18. (previously amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 17 wherein said launching mechanisms of said array are actuated simultaneously.

19. (previously amended) An anti-personnel device as in claim 17 wherein said launching mechanisms of said array are actuated sequentially.

~~{20. (canceled) An anti-personnel device as in claim 16 wherein said projectiles are selected from the group comprising paintballs, hollow thermoplastic balls, metal BB's, thermoplastic BB's.}~~